

Application Number 10/044,123
Amendment dated May 17, 2006
Reply to Office Action of April 20, 2006

REMARKS

The Applicant notes that the Office Action Summary does not indicate whether the drawings filed in the application are acceptable. Confirmation of their acceptability is respectfully requested.

The Applicant notes with appreciation that the Office Action Summary indicates that the application is in condition for allowance.

With regard to the objection of dependent claims 2, 4, 5, 8-11, 15 and 17, claims 2, 4, 5, 8-11, 15, and 17 are amended above in accordance with suggestions made in the Office Action at pages 2-3. Removal of the objections is therefore respectfully requested.

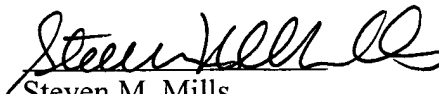
Accordingly, it is believed that the amendments to claims 2, 4-5, 8-11, 15 and 17 addresses and cures the stated formality. No new matter is added.

Closing Remarks

If prosecution of the application can be expedited by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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